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FM AMEMBASSY DAMASCUS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 4338

INFO AMEMBASSY BEIRUT

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SUBJ: CZECH AIR DISASTER DAMASCUS

REF: DAMASCUS 3201 (NOTAL)

1. CZECH 1L-62 AIRLINER APPARENTLY CRASHED IN MILITARY AREA 18 KM EAST OF DAMASCUS AT 2010, 20 AUG. PRESS REPORTS DEAD TOTAL 126 OF WHICH 25 ARE SYRIANS. REMAINDER MOSTLY CZECH OR IRAQI. THERE ARE APPARENTLY TWO SURVIVORS ONE MAN AND ONE FEMALE CHILD. FLIGHT ROUTE WAS PRAGUE-DAMASCUS-BAGHDAD-TEHRAN.

2. DEAD INCLUDED CZECH MILITARY ATTACHE IN SYRIA, COL JUROSLAV KOMAREK, WHO WAS RETURNING FROM HOME LEAVE, AND DIRECTOR OF CZECH AIRLINES OFFICE IN DAMASCUS.

3. TWENTY MAN CZECH INVESTIGATING TEAM IS NOW IN SYRIAN TO DETERMINE CAUSE OF TRAGEDY. CZECH EMBASSY NOT WILLING TO COMMENT ON CAUSE OR CAUSES OF CRASH UNTIL TEAM COMPLETES ITS INVESTIGATION. WE UNDERSTAND THAT
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PRESIDENT ASAD HAS DIRECTED THAT HE BE PERSONALLY INFORMED

IMMEDIATELY OF INFORMATION DEVELOPED BY INVESTIGATING
TEAM.

4. WE CONTINUE TO BE ASSURED THAT THERE WERE NO AMERICAN
CITIZENS ABOARD THE PLANE.
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